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1400 Independence Ave. S.W.
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Re: Proposed Hampton-Rochester-La Crosse 345 kV Transmission System Minnesota and Wisconsin.

Dear Mr. Plank:

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At this time, we do not have any information concerning the presence of any Indian Traditional Cultural Properties, Sacred Sites, or Other Significant Properties in the designated area of the proposed construction site in Minnesota or Wisconsin. This is not to say that such site does not exist, just this office does not have any available information indicating that a site is present using our current documentation of the area. If contact could be made with the closest tribes there, they could provide you with more information.

However, this office would be more then willing to assist, if in the future or during construction, there is an inadvertent discovery of Native American human remains or burial objects. I have enclosed a Site Reference Form that our office uses in the event of a discovery in order to speed the process. Please contact me if you have any further question or requests. I can be reached at (231)242-1453.

We thank you for including our tribe in your plans.

Miigwetch (thank you)

Winnay Wemigwase

Director

Archives/Records and Cultural Preservation Little Traverse Bay Band of Odawa Indians

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RUS appreciates the response from the Little Traverse Bay Band of Odawa Indians regarding consultation on the proposed project.

Site Reference Form Date of Discovery: ______ Today's Date: _____ Owner/Site Representative: Street Address: City: State: Zip: Location: Phone: Fax: Site Information: Street Address: City: State: Zip: Location and Circumstance of Discovery: Time of Discovery: am/pm Contacts Made: Law Enforcement Department: Investigating Officer: Phone: Fax: Date of police report: _____ Time on report: _____am/pm Other contacts (w/phone #): Native American Burial (please circle) yes_____ no____ Confirmed by: Phone: Fax: Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Tribal NAGPRA Contacts: Eric Hemenway Winnay Wemigwase Research & Repatriation Assistant Director, Archives/Records &Cultural Preservation (231) 242-1527ph/ ehemenway@ftbbodawa-nsn.gov (231) 242-1453ph/ wwemigwase@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov 7500 Odawa Circle, Harbor Springs, Michigan 49740